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Bus safety outlined

Children should never run back to a school bus to retrieve an object they've left behind, according to Ryder Student Transportation Ser-vices, one of the nation's leading

vices, one of the nation's leading student transportation companies. Running back to a school bus is the most common source of serious accidents involving children and school buses, said Marvin Comp-ton, national and safety manager of Ryder Student Transportation Services.

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"Children think their parents or treacher will be angry if they leave something on the bus, so they often run back to retrieve it as the bus is puiling away." Compton said. "Parents need to teach their chill-dren that sweaters, lunch boxed and school papers can all be replaced, but children cannot."

Active participation of parents is critical to the operation of a safe ty precautions must be stantify reinforced at home.

Ryder conducts safety and training programs for student passen.

see them. That's not true. Even with multiple large mirrors and intensive safety training, a driver cannot see a small child who twee the body of the bus.

• When it is necessary to cross the street upon boarding or leaving the bus, walk at least five giant steps from the bus to the shoulder of the road and remain there until given a signal by the driver that it is safe to cross.

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• Do not allow large objects, such as musical instruments or athletic equipment, to block the alstes or emergency exits.
• When entering the bus, go directly to an available or assigned sected and facility and all times while the bus is moving.
• Do not extend your hands, cl-bows or head through the windows, or throw or pass objects to someone outside the bus.
Ryder Student Transportation Services transports 200,000 students each school day in 4,800 buses serving 125 school districts in 14 states.

Utility alert

Beware of customer rebate scams i

A utility rebate is delivered right to your door by two people claiming to be employees of the utility. What do you do? Let them in? Or check them out?

Spring is the season when con artists are likely to show up in your neighborhood, so Detrolt Edison cautions you to be particularly careful about admitting people into your home.

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A common scam that has been used on metro Detroiters involves two imposters who claim they are utility employees delivering a rebate to the customer. The object of the scam is to gain entry into the home to determine where the residents keep their money. One partner distracts the victim while the other robs the home.

"Several elderly persons have are interested in the customer in the control of the contro

ployee into your home, check for Richard Dungy, director of security for Detroit Edison and a retired 25- year veteran of the Detroit Police Department.

Detroit Edison employees weather identification prominently and rarely travel in pairs, Dungy said.

Two people appearing at the door should be an indication that you should be careful."

The rebate scarm is just one of several con games used to get into the home.

Heart disease still major killer

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DESPITE THE numbers, experts believe that many people fail to recognize the scope of this group oil illnesses, which don't seem to evoke as much lear as lesser killers.

"I don't think people appreciate the fact that more than 50 percent of the deaths in this country are still due to heart disease," and Dr. How-raft E. Morgas of the Getsinger Clinic in Danville, Ps.

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Heart attacks, the nation's leading cause of death, killed \$40,800 people in the prevented these of the cause of death will be stop stop stop in 1985, accounting for 26 percent of the 2,084,000 deaths that year. Strokes, the nation's blad-feadilest disease in 1985, killed 152,700.

The second leading cause of death in 1985 was cancer, which killed \$40,800 people fall to perceive the scope of cardinates the state of the statistics recently at the service revironment of the bousehold. The environment of the household. T

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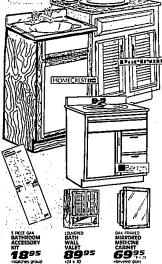


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